

their parishioners, either as already constituted in eucharistic confraternities or separately, to this Association. The parish of Ste Anne de Beaupré took pride in being one of the first to enter this holy league. Reverend Father Allard, the Superior and Pastor, took advantage of the solemnity of the Forty Hours to comply with the desire expressed by His Grace. The majority of our parishioners now form part of the Association.



The votive pilgrimage. — As we announced in our last number, the votive pilgrimage was the last one of the year 1898. It took place on the Monday in the Octave of the Immaculate Conception, the 12<sup>th</sup> December. The parishioners of Ste Anne de Beaupré who were fresh from the exercises of the Forty Hours were already fully disposed. As to those of St. Joachim, two of our Fathers went there in the afternoon of Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> December, to assist their curé in hearing confessions so that we heard but few at Ste Anne.

High Mass was chanted at 8 o'clock by Reverend Father Allard, the Pastor of Ste Anne. Immediately after mass a sermon was preached by Reverend Father Lemire. Taking advantage of the miraculous protection that Ste Anne formerly granted her children, the Reverend Father expatiated on the infinite goodness of divine Providence: God's benefits toward us are beyond number; they are precious, they meet all our wants. Gratitude is thus an essential duty for us. But in order that this gratitude may be sincere our whole being should participate in it. our mind that it may appreciate God's benefit as they deserve; our heart that it may give God love for love; our hands, that is our outward conduct, in order that in all things we may do nothing but what is agreeable to God.

The sermon was followed by the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and the veneration of the holy Relic. May St. Anne be pleased to continue to protect her children against all corporal and spiritual maladies.



Statistics. — In our next we shall place before our readers the Statistics for 1898, the proof of the good done during the year at Ste Anne de Beaupré. We may even now state that we have every reason to thank God and St. Anne.